

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 9, 2019**

The Winnemucca City Council met in regular session on Tuesday April 9, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. in the City Hall meeting room. Present: Mayor Richard Stone; Council members Mike Owens, Theresa Mavity, Vince Mendiola, Jim Billingsley and Paige Brooks; and, City Attorney Kent Maher, City Manager/Engineer Alicia Heiser and City Clerk Lorrie Haaglund.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Stone called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT - PERSONAL COMMUNICATION - CORRESPONDENCE:

Susan Rorex, Humboldt County resident, commented that the WCVA is considering remodeling or replacing the East Hall of the Convention Center and suggested the WCVA consider the possibility of including a multiple-use stage in their Convention Center plans, possibly using the Nixon (insurance payment) funds to provide a first-rate lighting or sound system, and asked the Council to think wisely before spending the Nixon funds.

MINUTES:

The March 19, 2019 regular City Council meeting minutes were reviewed and Council member Mavity moved for approval as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

WARRANTS-EXPENSES:

The payments for warrants and expense reports were reviewed and Council member Billingsley moved for approval as submitted. Motion carried unanimously with Council member Billingsley abstaining from voting on the Jim Dandy Productions warrants as he is the owner of the business. Motion carried unanimously.

PROCLAMATION-AWARDS:

Mayor Stone signed proclamations for National Crime Victim's Right Week, Denim Day and Child Abuse Prevention month and expressed thanks on behalf of the City to the Winnemucca Domestic Violence Services (WDVS) for the support they provide to the community.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

BUSINESS IMPACT DETERMINATION

After review and consideration of the effect each item could potentially have on a "business," as the term is defined by statute, the Council agreed and Council member Owens moved to make a finding that no item on the agenda appears to impose a direct and significant economic burden on a business or appears to directly restrict the formation, operation or expansion of a business. Motion carried unanimously.

VARIANCE VW-19-01 / REDUCE SOUTHEAST SIDE YARD SETBACK / FOREMAN

Betty Lawrence, Planning Department, presented a variance application submitted by Tony Snyder on behalf of property owner Cynthia Foreman to reduce the required southeast side yard setback from five (5) feet to zero (0) feet to allow replacement of an existing garage. No comments or objections received by the planning department. Council member Brooks moved

to approve the variance request to reduce the required southeast side yard setback from five (5) feet to zero (0) feet based on staff findings and recommendation. Motion carried unanimously.

SPORTS COMPLEX USE REQUEST / BADGER BASEBALL TOURNAMENT / HEIKKILA

Tom Heikkila, Badger Baseball League representative, requested use of the Sports Complex and waiver of the tournament fee for the annual Mother's Day Tournament on Saturday-Sunday May 11-12, 2019. Four local teams will participate with 20 out-of-area teams. All teams are aware there is no overnight camping at the facility. The league takes care of the trash, field prep and chalking. Merchandise vendors will be allowed to sell outside the Sports Complex gates. Council member Brooks moved to approve the request by Badger Baseball League to use the Sports Complex and waive the tournament fee for the annual Mother's Day Tournament on May 11-12, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

SPORTS COMPLEX USE REQUEST / 44-HOUR SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT / WALTERS

Craig Walters requested use of the Sports Complex from Friday July 26 through Sunday July 28, 2019 for a 44-Hour men's, women's, and coed USA Softball sanctioned tournament. It is not a straight 44-hour tournament, play will stop about 8:00 p.m. each evening and teams will be encouraged to gather at the Model T (which is offering special room rates). The tournament organizers are hoping to have 32 teams. Chad Peters, for Recreation Director Winnemucca Boys and Girls Club, commented they will chalk the fields the first time and then it is the event organizer responsibility to re-chalk throughout the tournament. There will be no RV's or tents allowed at the Sports Complex. The tournament will have certified adult officials and insurance will be through USA softball. Council member Mendiola moved to approve the request as presented for a 44-hour softball tournament July 26-28, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

GOLF COURSE USE REQUEST-FEE WAIVER / YOUNG LIFE-WYLDLIF TOURNAMENT

Bill Fullilove, Young Life representative, requested use of the Sports Complex and waiver of the tournament fee for the Young Life-Wyldlif 5th Annual Kid's Fore Golf Tournament on April 20, 2019. It will be a half-day tournament. Council member Mendiola moved to approve the request for the use of the Golf Course and to waive the tournament fee for the 5th annual Kid's Fore Golf Tournament on April 20, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

HUMBOLDT CONNECTION SUICIDE PREVENTION GROUP DONATION REQUEST

Nicole Maher, Humboldt Connection Suicide Prevention Group, presented a detailed public relations plan for the newly formed group aimed at establishing a strategy for raising community awareness, acceptance and action regarding suicide prevention and after-care. Maher said it is crucial the Humboldt County community be aware of suicide prevention resources, accept responsibility to share information about those resources and act on sharing those resources with those in need. The group goals and objectives are for Humboldt County to become a "hope zone" for residents contemplating suicide, and for those who have survived or are bereaved by suicide. Maher asked the Council to consider a \$5,000 contribution to help fund the initial phase of the plan. The county and hospital will be requested to contribute the same amounts. Council member Owens said this is important and applauds the plan. Council member Owens moved to approve a \$5,000 contribution now and place this same request for funding on next year's budget. Motion carried unanimously.

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CONVENTION CENTER EAST HALL UPGRADE-REPLACEMENT PLAN / WCVA

Kim Peterson, Winnemucca Convention and Visitors Authority (WCVA) Director, noted the Convention Center East Hall has been a burden for WCVA to maintain. It is a very busy building and the WCVA has considered for years how to make it functional with restrooms located on the second floor and the kitchen on the third floor. WCVA consulted with PB Partners for suggestions on what to build, how much to spend and what the project would entail. WCVA voted unanimously to request bids for a feasibility study. Mayor Stone said it sounds exciting; it fits in with the Main Street Program and downtown preservation. Peterson said a new or upgraded facility will be great for the community and will allow for larger events. No action was taken.

WATER-SEWER WILL SERVE REQUEST / DOTTY'S / 450 E. WINNEMUCA BOULEVARD

The agenda item was removed and will be placed on the April 23, 2019 City Council agenda.

BODE HOWARD MEMORIAL POOL

City Manager Heiser started the inspection of the pool to prepare a condition report, which will include the following elements:

- Locker rooms-bathrooms – general ADA compliance; visual inspection of plumbing fixtures and drainage, etc.
- Pool – size; surfacing; filtration system
- Main structural system – foundation and floor slab; walls, windows, and doors; roof framing system, etc.
- Mechanical system – boiler
- Electrical and lighting components – conduits; light fixtures, etc.
- Ventilation system
- Nonstructural elements – drywall; ceiling tiles; paint, etc.

STAFF-COUNCIL REPORTS

City Manager Heiser reported: (i) the Railroad Springs pipeline project is moving forward; (ii) Desert Mountain Surveying submitted the required permitting to the Division of Water Resources for Well #8; (iii) the Airport property acquisition project is still on hold; (iv) the Airport pavement maintenance project is waiting for the contractor to complete the crack sealing and other maintenance on the heavy aircraft apron; (v) the survey work and geotechnical testing are complete for the Airport heavy aircraft apron expansion and reconstruction, with bid advertising on June 5, 2019, bid opening late June and construction after July 1, 2019; (vi) there is no word yet whether there will be any Airport discretionary funding available; (vii) installation of the playground equipment will begin the week of May 6, 2019; and, (viii) Hunewill has not yet started the Alley sewer upgrade project and the Second Street storm drain project.

Council member Owens attended a Mainstreet USA update with Patty Herzog.

Council member Mavity had a meeting April 2, 2019 with two representatives of the Community Garden, which is in the process of re-creating the Community Garden Board.

Council member Mendiola reported on the HDA meeting, the Orovada Town Hall meeting and the Paradise Sonoma Conservation District meeting. Mendiola reminded of the Explore Your Futures trip to UNR on April 24, 2019.

Council member Billingsley attended the Humboldt Foundation meeting.

Council member Brooks commented that the Landfill Committee meets next Monday.

Mayor Stone and Council member Owens attended the local government day at the legislature. Stone attended a presentation by Great Basin College. Shooting the West begins this week; there will be a Native American Pow Wow this weekend; and, April 20, 2019 will be the Franklin Field dedication.

Chad Peters, Executive Director of the Winnemucca Boys and Girls Club, reminded the WBGC open house is next Tuesday.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no comments from the public.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorrie Haaglund
City Clerk

PASSED AND ADOPTED: April 23, 2019

VOTE OF COUNCIL:

AYES: Owens, Mavity, Mendiola, Billingsley, Brooks
NAYS: _____
ABSTAIN: _____
ABSENT: _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Richard Stone
Mayor

Lorrie Haaglund
City Clerk